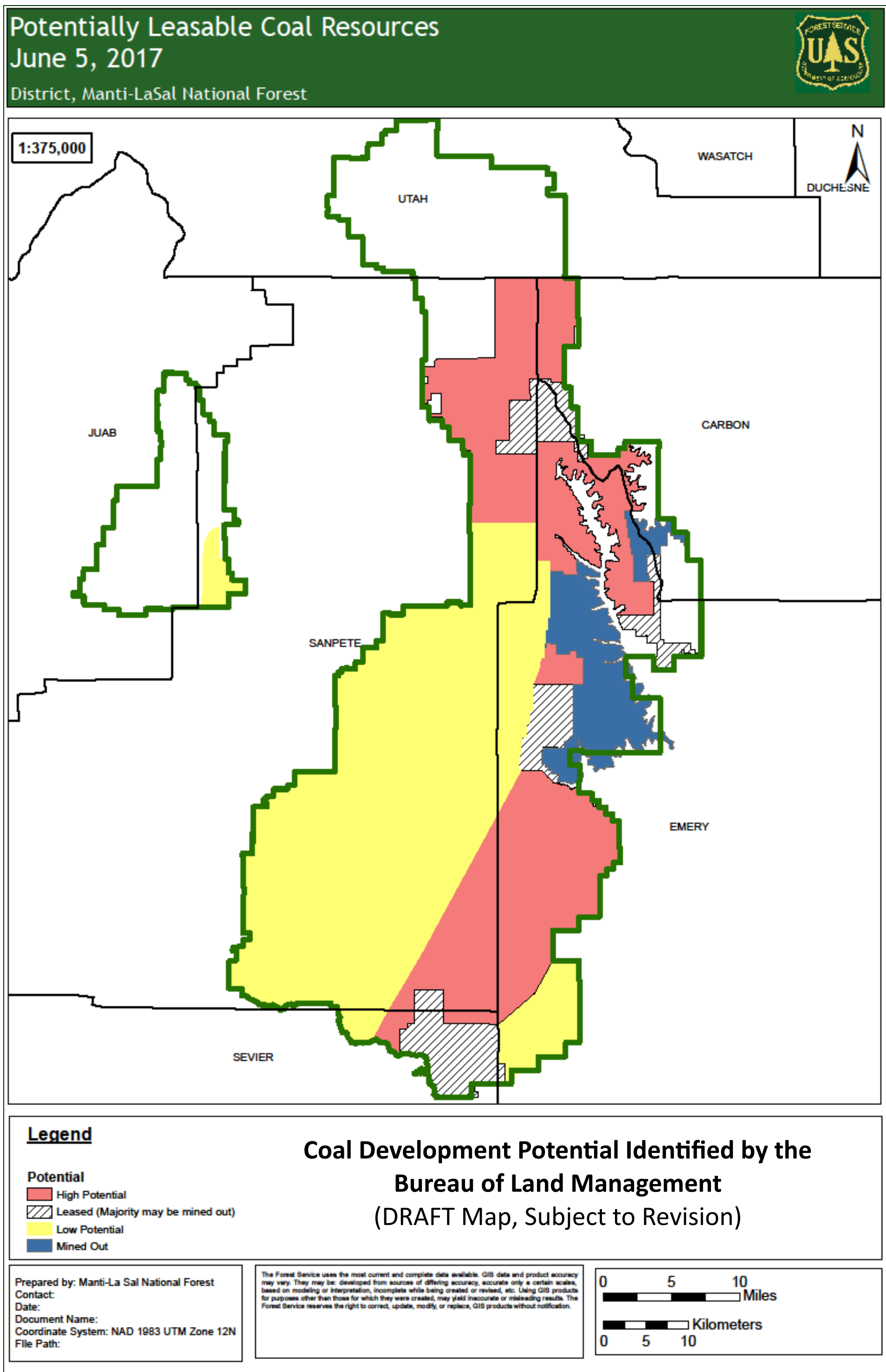


Where is the Coal Located
within the Plan Area?



Coal Unsuitability Evaluation
Manti-La Sal National Forest

Timeline

Nov/Dec
2016

Mar/April
2017

Apr/May
2017

Late
Summer
2017

Coal Evaluation Process

1. Identify areas that have coal development potential as defined by the Bureau of Land Management

2. Apply Unsuitability Criteria for Coal Mining identified in 43 CFR 3461 to the lands identified to have coal development potential.

3. Evaluate lands with coal development potential for other resource values that may be locally, regionally or nationally important, or unique, and are not included in the Unsuitability Criteria

4. Develop guidelines for protection of non-mineral resources (i.e. stipulations) for lands that will be carried forward for further consideration for coal leasing, and develop guidelines (i.e. conditions for use and protection of non-mineral resources) for coal exploration activities.

Forest Plan Process

Forest Planning
Assessment
Phase

Development of
the Draft Forest
Plan - Public
Meetings

Forest
Planning
NEPA Process
(EIS)

Applying the Criteria

CRITERIA 43 CFR 3461
1. Federal Lands, etc.
2. Rights-of-Way, Surface Leases, etc.
3. Buffer Zone for Rights-of-Way, Cemeteries, Dwellings, Etc.
4. Wilderness Study Areas
5. Class I Visual Quality Areas
6. Scientific Study Areas
7. Cultural or Historical Resources
8. Natural Areas and National Natural Landmarks
9. Federally designated Threatened and Endangered Species Sites and Habitat
10. State listed Threatened and Endangered Species and Habitat
11. Bald and Golden Eagle Nests
12. Bald and Golden Eagle Roost and Concentration Areas
13. Falcon Nesting Sites
14. High Priority Habitat (Migratory Birds)
15. High Interest Species Habitat
16. Riverine, Coastal, and Floodplains
17. Municipal Watersheds
18. National Resource Waters
19. Alluvial Valley Floors
20. Applicable Utah state Criteria

